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SUBJECT: EVALUATION OF FSLN INTENTIONS

REFS: (A) STATE 18398; (B) SAN SALVADOR 283; (C) STATE
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1. INFORMATION/EVALUATION REQUESTED IN REFTEL C CONTINUES
TO BE SUBJECT OF INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT. THIS IS
PARTICULARLY SO IN LIGHT OF THE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT OF
CUBAN INTENTIONS CONTAINED IN REFTEL A, AND THE POSSIBILITY
THAT THE SANDINISTA CADRES NOW IN CUBA WILL BE PERMITTED TO
RETURN TO NICARAGUA. CONSEQUENTLY, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RE-
CEIVING YOUR RESPONSE TO REFTEL C AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO REITERATE THE INTEREST OF THE
DEPARTMENT IN YOUR EVALUATION OF THE POTENTIAL THREAT TO
OTHER EMBASSY PERSONNEL. IF TERRORISTS ARE INTERESTED IN
TARGETTING U.S. OFFICIALS, AND IF SECURITY MEASURES PRO-
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VIDED FOR AMBASSADOR AND MRS. SHELTON ARE SUFFICIENTLY

DISCOURAGING, COULD TERRORISTS BE EXPECTED TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON LOWER-RANKING EMBASSY STAFF MEMBERS AND DEPENDENTS?

3. INTER ALIA WE ARE ALSO INTERESTED IN CONSIDERATIONS WHICH PROMPTED GON TO PROVIDE AMBASSADOR AND MRS. SHELTON

WITH BODYGUARDS AND FOLLOW-CAR SEVERAL MONTHS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 27 INCIDENT, AS REPORTED BY RSO IN REFTEL B. KISSINGER

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